



LOCAL NEWS

A SUIT against the Santa Fe for the death of Chris Mohr at Gay Hill last week will be instituted.

JOHN THOMAS was fined \$1 by his honor Monday morning for an ornamental drunk the night before.

DAN ROBERTSON pleaded guilty to disturbing the peace Monday before Justice Ewing and was fined \$1.

MR. ALBERT NAEGGLI renewed his subscription to our great ten-page family weekly, while in the city Monday.

THE city dads met Monday afternoon in regular semi-monthly session and transacted the usual amount of routine business.

THE Daughters of Rebekah will elect officers at their meeting this afternoon which convenes in Red Men's hall at 2 o'clock.

CARTMEL LODGE, No. 39, I. O. O. F., meets tonight for the semi-annual election of officers. A full attendance of the members is requested.

THE rites of matrimony between Peter Wright and Ida Brown were solemnized at the court house Thursday by Justice Ewing.

REV. J. T. BROWNING received a telegram Monday from Monroe, Rusk county, stating that his sister, Mrs. Lena Baron, was at the point of death.

FOR the Methodist conference at Bryan the Santa Fe will make a round trip rate of one and one-third fares to Navasota. Tickets will be sold December 6, 7, return limit Dec. 14.

THE editor of the BANNER acknowledges the receipt of an invitation to attend a double wedding a few miles south of the city Thursday evening next, and will be in attendance.

A PARTY of Nimrods consisting of O. A. Seward, H. K. Harrison, B. Eldridge, T. A. Low, D. C. Giddings Jr., and W. W. Searcy left for Jackson county Monday morning on a hunting expedition. They will be gone about a week.

THE bankrupt stocks of goods assigned by S. Lapowski & Bro., at Abilene, San Angelo and Gainsville, for which Mr. Henry Sayles was trustee, have been sold for \$122,000 bringing 81 cents on the dollar.

MR. F. W. BOEMER, of Zionsville, left a half bushel of fall Irish potatoes at this office Monday, every one of which was larger than a pint cup. How is this for a December record? Exchanges outside of Grand Old Texas please copy.

THE double quartette of the Methodist choir, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Campbell, Thomas and Bruns Holland, Thomas and Flournoy Teague, Chas. Carlisle and Dr. T. F. Cox, Miss Mary Carlisle and Miss Bertha Becker, assisted in the Epworth League benefit concert at Chappell Hill Monday evening.

THE canvass made Monday by the Sisters of the Good Shepherd in the interest of a home for fallen women and an industrial training school for wayward children at San Antonio met with a very liberal response. The Sisters will leave tomorrow for Temple. They request the BANNER to express their sincere appreciation for the contributions given by the citizens of Brenham.

SONS OF HERMANN.

Grand Trustees Meet in Brenham to Dispose of Permanent Fund.

The Grand Trustees of the Sons of Hermann, Messrs. C. Altermann, of Dallas, H. Hafbering of Boerne, W. Oldenburg, of Galveston, and R. Strickert of this city, held their annual session here Sunday and Monday, upstairs in the Seelhorst building.

They had a considerable amount of routine business on hand to be disposed of. The most important matter engaging their attention was the proper disposal of \$12,000 belonging to the permanent fund of the State Grand Lodge, which they desired to invest in paying securities. There were a number of applicants for the cash.

From Pulpit to Bar.

Rev. Leon Sonfield, for two years pastor of St. James Methodist church of Galveston, has retired from the ministry and will engage in the profession of law. In announcing this decision at Sunday night's service he said: "I would add this word: I differ in some points of theology, but in the matter of religion there is no difference. The one is of the intellect; the other of the heart. Nor am I without definite theology. I believe in one God, supreme above all; I believe in the revelation of God as made through Jesus of Nazareth, the wonderful teacher 'sent from God.' I believe in the immortality of the human soul, and I believe that the sum and substance of the duty of man is to love God with all his heart and soul and mind, and his neighbor as himself."

PUBLIC SALE DAY.

Several Blocks of Real Estate Will Change Hands Under the Sheriff's Hammer.

This being public sale day, the first Tuesday in the month, several pieces of real estate will be sold by the sheriff to satisfy different claims.

Property belonging to the unknown heirs of Dr. T. H. Smith will be sold to satisfy a judgment recovered by the Land Mortgage Co., of Texas, Limited, for \$1890.80.

A certain tract of land belonging to H. R. Von Bieberstein will be sold to satisfy a judgment held by C. W. Rau for \$1008.85.

A lot in Camptown involved in the suit of Lizzie Hill vs. Green Hill will be sold subject to a mortgage lien of \$75.

After Our Chrysanthemum Heads.

The foot ball paragrapher on the Taylor Tribune scores the following touch downs:

Our foot ball boys are all right. All they need is a little practice and they will have that in due season and will play Brenham and the Tribune predicts they will eat up the chrysanthemum headed young men of that town in short order.

Col. L. T. Rogers, a well-known foot-ballist of Brenham, expects to come up on Xmas day to play against our long-haired heroes. Col. Rogers is a good friend of the Tribune's but in a game of foot-ball friendship ceases. We won't do much to him but what we do will be enough.

Brother Roundtree evidently believes in laughing while he can. We predict that a great hunk of placidity will be knocked out of his bump of serenity before the happy Xmas tide ebbs.

Officers Elected.

At a regular meeting of Germania Lodge, No. 332, I. O. O. F., Monday night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

L. C. Poulsen, N. G.
B. Wigand, V. G.
H. Schleider, Sec'y.
Ben Schmid, Treas.
L. Bronenkant, Representative.
Clemens Fischer, Alternate.
L. Bronenkant, Trustee 3 years.
A. A. Woehler, Trustee 3 years.
W. C. Schill, Trustee 1 year.

RESTRAINED OF HIS LIBERTIES.

Jos. W. Swann Applies for a Writ of Habeas Corpus.

Jos. W. Swann, charged with the death of Jas. H. Foster, and who was remanded to jail without bail at an examining trial held before Justice Ewing, has, through his attorney 'Squire Billingslea, applied to Judge Ed. R. Sinks for a writ of habeas corpus.

The application was forwarded to Giddings and there heard in chambers by Judge Sinks, who granted the writ as prayed for and set Thursday, December 9, at 5 o'clock p. m., as the time at which he would hear evidence on the case.

COUNTY CLERK'S REPORT.

Showing Criminal Business Transacted in the County Court the Past Year.

County Clerk O. A. Seward has made the following report to Attorney General M. M. Crane, showing the criminal business transacted in the county for the year beginning Dec. 1, 1896, and ending Nov. 30, 1897:

Indictments filed - - - 37
Informations filed, including appeals from justice courts 48
Trials - - - - - 102
Convictions - - - - - 89
Acquittals - - - - - 7
Dismissals - - - - - 6
Pending (retired docket 45, trial docket 143) - - - 188
Aggregate fines imposed - \$1896
Aggregate fines collected (cash \$204, work \$240) - \$ 444

The Probate Docket.

Previous to adjournment for the term Saturday evening these orders were entered on the probate docket in the county court:

Estate of Martha Albrecht et al., minors, inventory and appraisal examined and approved.

Estate of Emma Martin et al., minors. Inventory and appraisal examined and approved.

Estate of Seth Searcy et al., minors. Bond of guardian examined and approved.

Estate of Mamie Hicks, et al., minors. Lou Hicks appointed guardian of the minors, Mamie, Lou, Thomas and Josephine Hicks. Bond fixed at \$250 for estate and \$50 for the person.

Estate of George and Lizzie Hicks, deceased. Allowance of \$500 in lieu of exempt property and homestead set apart to minor children. Administrator C. W. Turner ordered to turn over all property in his hands to guardian.

Methodist Episcopal Conference.

Rev. Weems Wootton, of Navasota, presiding elder of the Huntsville district, is at Bryan assisting the local pastor, Rev. Geo. E. Clothier, in preparing for the Texas conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, which convenes there Wednesday, Dec. 8. Arrangements are about completed for receiving and entertaining the visiting preachers, who have been assigned homes. Each one will be met at the train and presented with a card bearing his own name and the address to which he has been assigned.

Diphtheria at Chappell Hill.

A Chappell Hill special of the 5th says: Dr. Toland was suddenly called yesterday to see the child of Mr. John Carlisle, which was taken quite sick, and upon diagnosing the case pronounced it diphtheria.

The child is about 3 or 4 years old and at 10 o'clock last night was in a very dangerous condition.

LARGE crowds attended the morning and evening services at the Methodist church Sunday and listened to excellent farewell sermons by the retiring pastor, Rev. E. P. Newsom, whose place of ministry for another year will not be known until the proceedings of the annual conference, which convenes at Bryan Wednesday, is made public. Mr. Newsom's congregation is unanimous in hoping that he may be returned to the work at this place, and this will doubtless be the result of the conference.

A BOLD JAIL DELIVERY.

And How it Was Foiled by the Jailor's Vigilance.

James Madison Ward, Esq., day clerk and night watchman at the Hotel de Teague, who dispenses the hospitalities of the institution on "State" occasions and carries the keys on all occasions, was scared out of a year's growth Monday night. Time's effacing fingers have already furrowed his cheeks and dallied not in vain with his raven locks. Hence if his hair turned grey on the occasion referred to the change was not perceptible.

'Twas midnight's holy hour, when, 'tis said, grave yards yawn and the sheeted dead are wont to squeak and gibber in the quiet streets.

The jailer, in his cozy bed, Lay dreaming of the hour When the prisoners o'erpower Did their keeper overpower.

'Twixt Jailer Ward and the jail wards A fearful conflict raged And when the strife had ended quite 'Twas Jailer Ward was caged.

Then he bethought him of his keys - To St. Peter doubtless kin - He straightway turned himself without And "turned the rascals in."

To Jailer Ward we now award The cake and other things While the bard for his reward Will pull on other strings.

The above, like the President's message and Secretary Gage's plan of currency reform, ought to be explained. An explanation of the incident referred to is easy enough. As for the jingle—well it isn't worth the trouble.

While Jailer Ward was asleep and dreaming of the prisoners in their cages above him trying to escape, a quarter section of the plastering on the ceiling overhead fell down on him. The accident, without awakening the sleeping custodian of the jail, naturally added considerable color and realization to his vivid dream. It was not until the following morning that he learned the cause of his night mare.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

As trustee of the McGregor Sisters I will offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder on Monday, December 20th, their entire stock of millinery goods, hats, trimmings, &c., for cash.

B. LEVINSON, Trustee.

A LARGE delegation of Brenhamites left Monday evening for the Houston Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Show, among the number were: Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Lockett, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Schulze, Misses Stella and Daisy Connell, Mr. W. A. Wood, Mrs. H. M. Wilkins, Mrs. J. W. Dallas, Miss Ida Dallas, Mrs. W. E. Dwyer, Mrs. J. B. Kemp, Mrs. J. R. Williamson.

On the 15th and 16th inst. the surviving Confederates, members of the United Confederate Veterans of the State, will assemble in the Alamo city in annual reunion. Ample preparations have been made for entertaining all who will be in attendance and a general good time will result from the gathering. Liberal reductions in railroad rates have been made, and all the old soldiers who possibly can ought to be in attendance.

—Gus Fuqua and Warren Johnson, negroes, got into a quarrel at Navasota one night last week because Fuqua put a nickle with a hole in it into a church festival collection, which resulted in the death of Fuqua and the jailing of Johnson.

THURSDAY, at Gay Hill, Mr. Louis Steinbach and Miss Annie Boeker were united in marriage at the Lutheran church, Rev. Volbrecht officiating. These are popular and prominent young people whom the BANNER hastens to congratulate.

The faculty of the Lutheran College is again complete, Prof. W. J. Martin, of New Hampton, Iowa, having been installed Monday as assistant principal in this popular institution.

A NEW DRESS FOR TEN CENTS.

A Michigan Woman Tells How She Made an Old Dress Look Like New With Diamond Dyes, for Only Ten Cents.

"Last fall I had a dress dyed at a dye shop," writes Mrs. A. L. Iron of Detroit, Mich., "and paid \$2.50 for the work. I could use only a part of the goods, as they were not all of the same color. Now, last week I bought a package of Diamond Dyes for ten cents and dyed a whole dress with it. The dress is just lovely and the smallest pieces are as good as the large ones, everything being an even color."

It is not a difficult task to dye with Diamond Dyes, for plain, simple directions on every package tell how the dyes should be used. Many colors can be made with no more trouble than it would be to wash the goods.

Do not risk your material with dyes that claim to color both cotton and wool with the same dye, for it is impossible to get satisfactory results with dyes of that character. In Diamond Dyes, there are special dyes for cotton and special dyes for wool, and they are all guaranteed to give satisfaction, if used according to directions.

Germania Officers.

The annual meeting of the Germania society held Sunday afternoon for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, resulted in the choice of the following:

President—G. Hermann.
First Vice President—B. Schmid.
Second Vice President—E. Reichardt.
Treasurer—R. Hoffman.
Secretary—John Hoffman.
Park Keeper—Aug. Boeker.
None of the committees have as yet been announced.

THE Santa Fe water tank at the union depot is being raised fourteen inches.

STOLEN-A GRAY MARE.

From a wagon yard in Navasota on Oct. 29th, one gray mare unbranded and small wart under left eye. About 14 hands high, and about 8 or 9 years old. Any information will be thankfully received by

D. F. WHITFIELD, Appolina, P. O. Grimes county.

Safety in Buying Seeds.

There is no other way to measure the value of the seed than by the value of the crop. A good crop simply cannot come from poor seed. Second-rate seeds will waste good land, good fertilizer, and good labor, and the crop won't pay expense. Now, as the practical farmer cannot afford to waste time testing seeds to find out whether they are true to name, sound and clean, it stands to reason that the only safe way to buy seeds is to seek the protection of a name that has stood for reliability in the past. The great seed house of D. M. Ferry & Co., Detroit, Mich., has sold seeds all over the United States and Canada for the last forty-two years, and the steady growth of the business is a sure indication that Ferry seeds have given satisfaction. Ferry's Seed Annual for 1898, a standard guide for farmers and gardeners, containing much valuable information, is sent free to persons writing for it.

MR. and MRS. D. C. STONE will leave Sunday for Brenham. They will be accompanied by Mr. Stone's mother, who will spend the winter in Brenham with the family of her son, Senator Heber Stone, and return to her home in California in the spring. Mr. Stone will return in a few days, but his wife will prolong her visit indefinitely.—Beeville Picayune.

Dig down to the cause of your sickness, if you want to get well and stay well. Most likely it's indigestion. The irritating poisons of fermenting, putrid food, left in the stomach by indigestion, cause headache, neuralgia, nervousness, dizziness, stomachache, nausea, irritability, and all the other well-known symptoms of indigestion.

They also cause many pains and disorders which are often laid to other causes and hence are not easily cured. But as soon as the poisons are removed, all these symptoms and disorders disappear, because there is nothing left to cause them. Nothing succeeds in this like Shaker's Digestive Cordial, because it prevents the undigested food from fermenting in the stomach and helps the stomach to digest its food.

Sold by druggists, price 15 cents to \$1.00 per bottle.

Marriage Licenses.

The following is a list of the marriage licenses issued from county clerk's office for the week ending December 7:

Charlie Shepard and Mollie Harris.
Wm. Jeske and Bertha Fahrenkamp.

Daniel Hahn and Ida Kurtz.
Benjamin McNeil and Julia Sharfston.
J. W. Schmidt and Emma Wunderlich.

Peter Wright and Ida Brown.
Rudolph Streich and Anna Roestmeier.

Wm. Kellerman and Louise Schomburg.
George Dial and Almada Lake.

Samuel McDonald and Callie Blackwell.
John Morrow and Mollie Robertson.
Wm. Danhaus and Bertha Rodenbeck.
Theo. Rodenbeck and Emma Sprain.

TEACHERS' MEETING.

Program For the Colored Teachers' Institute Which Convenes Friday.

The colored teachers of the county will hold their regular monthly institute Friday, Dec. 10, at St. John's A. M. E. church in Camptown, and will discuss the following program:

The 11 a. m. opening exercises conducted by Rev. Thos. Cole.
Recitation by Miss S. I. Tarver.

Music (vocal)—Mrs. N. T. Hughes.

Paper—Intellectual Education—C. F. Simmons.

Recitation—Miss Julia A. Sledge.

Paper—How to Better the Condition of the Public Schools in the Rural Districts—R. S. Bailey.

Paper (discussion)—Institute.

Music (Instrumental)—Mrs. B. V. Fair.

Paper—A Model Primary Teacher—Mrs. V. M. Mackey.

Duett—W. S. Grant and Mrs. M. E. Sledge.

The Value of Geography—W. R. Van Buren.

THE county road hands are at work this week making a dump in the vicinity of New Year's creek.

THE Home Forum meets tonight for the election of officers and the transaction of other important business.

MOVERS bound for the coast country are as thick as pilgrims in Skaguay Pass. Man is ever on the hunt for pastures new.

MR. WM. LUSK has let the contract for his new livery stable to W. A. Griffin, Esq. Work will begin at once.

A NOMADIC artist is setting up shop on West Sandy street at the intersection of Tin Can alley. He will use canvass for a gallery.

THE Episcopal ladies are arranging for a benefit concert which will be given at Athletic hall on Friday evening, Dec. 17.

MR. D. C. STONE, president of the Beeville National Bank, accompanied by his wife and mother, arrived in the city last night on a visit to his brother, Hon. Heber Stone.

Two hundred acres of land belonging to the unknown heirs of Dr. T. H. Smith was sold under the sheriff's hammer Tuesday to satisfy a judgment in favor of the Land and Mortgage Bank of San Antonio. The tract brought \$500 and was bid in by Mr. R. R. Anderson, of Navasota.

MENTION was made in the BANNER a day or so ago of a negro who bought several articles at Brockschmidt & Hohl's and decamped without the formality of paying for them. Monday night the identical coon went to the same establishment for more goods. The clerk whom he had mulcted on the former occasion at once nabbed him and compelled him to fork over the cash for his previous purchases.

MRS. C. F. KRAMER died Tuesday morning in the Salem neighborhood in the sixtieth year of her age. The funeral will take place at Salem church this (Wednesday) afternoon. A husband and several children survive her, among the latter Mrs. Bushing, of Galveston, who was notified by wire of her mother's death.

Bank to Resume.

A prominent citizen of Navasota, who spent Tuesday in the city expressed the belief that the C. F. Baxter bank, which recently suspended at Navasota, will be able to resume business at an early date. He thinks the institution will shortly pay its depositors 60 or 70 cents on the dollar and in the near future settle with them in full.

THE B. Y. P. U. will contribute a Christmas box to the Buckner Orphans' Home. Donations should be sent to Mrs. H. C. McIntyre.